

**The
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Institute for the
Blind**



**Report of the
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for the Year ended
31st March, 1958**



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The Royal National Institute for the Blind

SEVENTY-FOURTH REPORT

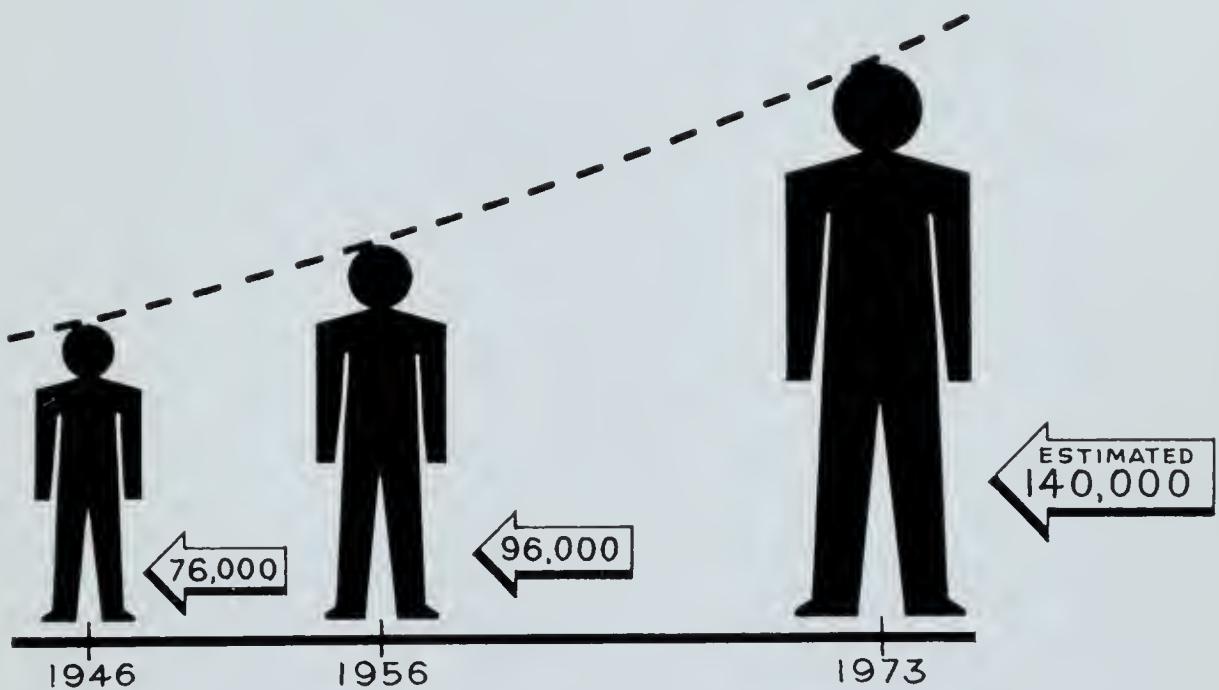
The R.N.I.B. serves all Britain's blind. By that criterion the year has been one of undeniable success, witnessing the reinforcement and expansion of all our services whenever opportunity has occurred. That these same services have involved us in a total expenditure substantially in excess of £1,000,000 serves merely to emphasise the vital role which the Institute now plays in the lives of those without sight.

Our aim has always been the alleviation of the handicap of blindness so that those who cannot see may yet take their places in a sighted world as competent, contented members of society. We are, therefore, a little proud that our Placement Service has this year succeeded in finding industrial and commercial employment for one trained blind man or woman for every working day. Uncertainty and even prejudice, it is true, are still to be found among a percentage of employers, but these are being overcome. The blind worker is his own best ambassador.

For the newly-blind, four hundred of whom found, at our rehabilitation centres, hope when none existed previously; for the students who borrowed nearly eleven thousand volumes from our lending library of Braille text-books; for the children and the aged; for all these and many more, the R.N.I.B. has striven by every means at its disposal to lighten the burden which the blind must bear. In this Report we have tried to tell you something of the manner of our striving. Much has been done; much remains to be accomplished. That many thousands of blind men, women and children regard us as their friends, this is our inspiration.

GODFREY ROBINSON
Chairman.

Our increasing responsibility. . . .



Although the incidence of many of Man's disabilities is being brought steadily under more complete control, that of blindness proves an obstinate exception. On the contrary, as medical science increases our expectation of longevity, blindness, too, increases at an alarming rate. Registration figures for the immediate post-war decade showed an upward surge in the number of blind of approximately twenty-five per cent, and this rise is still apparent. In his book *BLINDNESS IN ENGLAND, 1951-1954*, Professor Arnold Sorsby estimates that, if the present trend is maintained, the blind population of this country will, by 1973, have reached the unprecedented total of one hundred and forty thousand.

Truly a National Organisation

There are some 200 voluntary organisations for the blind in this country, of which the vast majority operate within a limited local area. They provide that intimate, personal relationship which is so important to those without sight and which can only be achieved by one with its roots in the district, with first-hand knowledge both of the people and of local conditions.

Many essential services, however, are too large in their concept to be undertaken by local bodies; others are too small and specialised in character to be performed by other than a large national organisation possessed of a wealth of experience and resource.

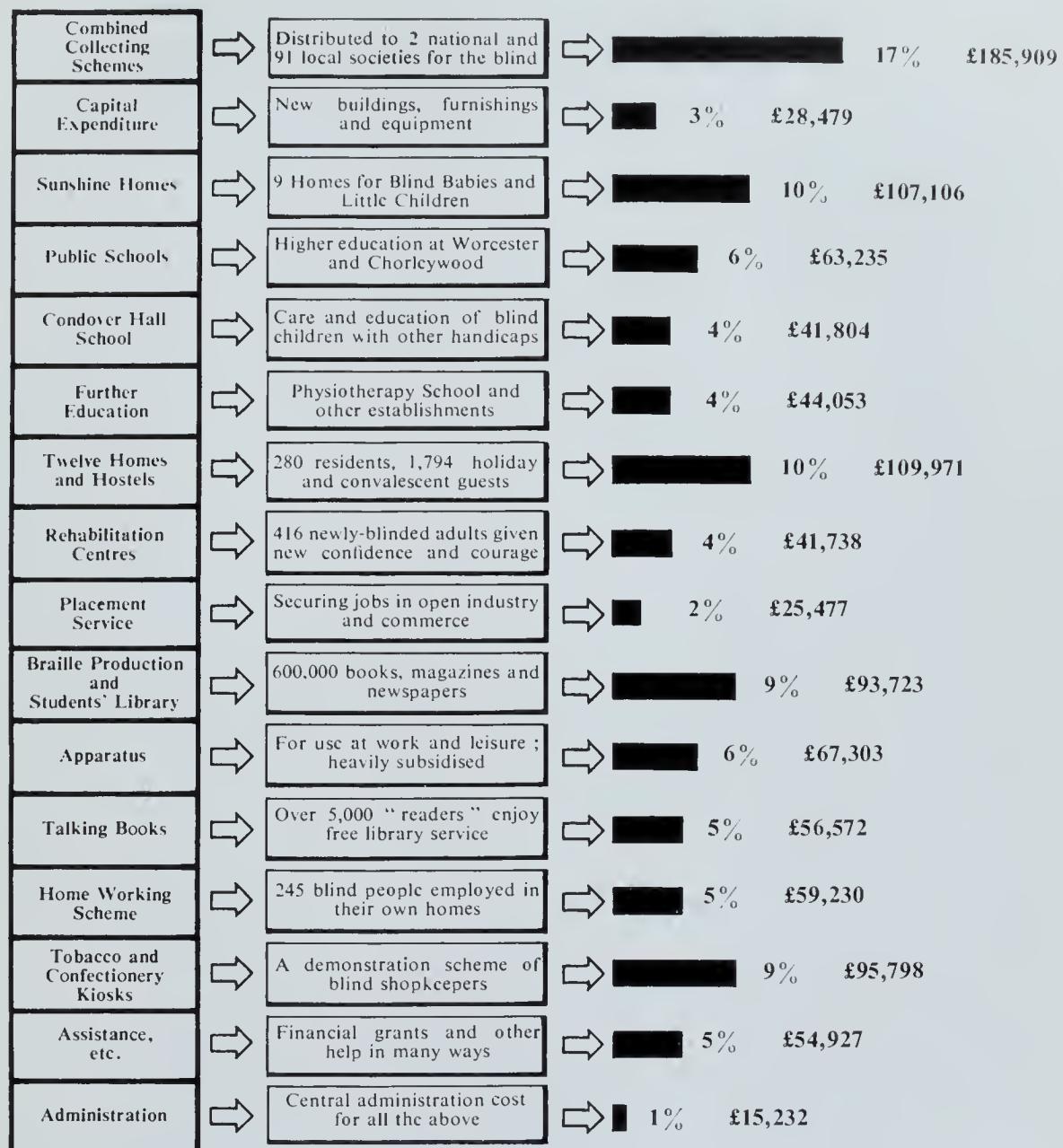
This is the role played by The Royal National Institute for the Blind in helping to create a national pattern of blind welfare unequalled anywhere in the world. Its services, which are available to every registered blind man, woman or child in Britain, are specifically designed to complement those provided locally. To any organisation which cares to avail itself of them, its help and advice—based on long experience of the especial needs of the blind—are freely given.

To reduce the multiplicity of appeals to the public, the Institute has entered into agreement with all local organisations willing to do so to a total of approximately 80 per cent of the whole in England and Wales. In these areas fund-raising is undertaken by unified effort providing for rational allocation of income to local and national requirements.

Deeply concerned with every aspect of blindness and its prevention, and maintaining a comprehensive library and information bureau on all matters relative to blindness, the R.N.I.B. has pioneered many experimental projects which have since become standard practice in blind welfare. Administering a number of societies such as the British Wireless for the Blind Fund, the Sir Beachcroft Towse Ex-Servicemen's Fund, and the Guild of Blind Gardeners, The Royal National Institute for the Blind is, in short, solely and simply a voluntary national organisation dedicated to the well-being of the blind.

The many and varied means by which it achieves this end and the substantial expenditure which this effort entails are presented in simplified form on the facing page. Succeeding pages provide more detailed accounts of the work of individual departments and of the men and women whom we serve.

How R.N.I.B. Services helped all Britain's Blind



at an aggregate expenditure of £1,090,557

A YEAR'S ACHIEVEMENT

Work with young children

It is in the earliest years of a child's life that the foundations of his future development are laid. Especially is this period important in the case of a handicapped child, for the opportunity then of secure and steady growth may well determine the outcome of succeeding stages of training and education.

The nine Sunshine Home Nursery Schools maintained by the Institute provide just such an ideal environment. Nothing can take the place of the natural and spontaneous affection which a family can give, but a handicapped child needs more than this. He needs time to explore the world about him, patient and individual attention allied to a wealth of experience of his especial needs. All these the schools furnish in an atmosphere comparable to that of a good, cultured home where happiness is the keynote.

The Sunshine Home is a community of twenty-four gay, adventurous children and a staff whose sole aim is their present and future well-being. On this premise is the children's education based. They are encouraged to help in the kitchen and the garden, to take turns with the shopping and to ask innumerable questions. Thus they learn and in the learning prepare themselves for more formal education later.

A recent development of this happy influence has been the growth of the "family" system, under which the children are divided into small groups resembling, as nearly as is possible, real families. Each has its own rooms and staff, one of whom receives the honorary title of "Mother", and in this more personal atmosphere the children find greater purpose in their activities. Washing-up their own things after meals becomes fun; visiting another family assumes all the importance of a genuine outing; even the friendly rivalry between families adds spice to games and lessons alike. Particularly has this experiment been found helpful to severely handicapped and backward children, of whom an increasing number is being admitted to the Sunshine Homes.

This increase in the number of additionally handicapped children to be admitted has of late been very marked. Although, inevitably, progress is sometimes painfully slow, the fact that many children who would otherwise have remained totally dependent have, as a result, been started on the road to independent development, is a source of no small pride and satisfaction.

The older additionally handicapped child

In the spacious rooms and extensive grounds of Condover Hall, in Shropshire, the Institute takes a further step in the education of multiply-handicapped blind children. For it is here that seventy-eight boys and girls, the majority between the ages of 9 and 16, are being taught to develop, despite their heavy burdens, into socially acceptable personalities.

Success at Condover cannot be measured in terms of high scholastic achievement. Rather is it gauged by the ability of the school to turn seriously retarded and severely handicapped children into adults capable of attending to their own personal day-to-day requirements.

The promise of a generous gift of £20,000 from the Variety Club of Great Britain has this year made it possible for the Institute to proceed with long-desired extensions to the Deaf-Blind



They learn to explore, with safety and freedom, their garden "countryside"

Through play and work, fingers become nimble and replace unseeing eyes



Unit. This will enable us to increase the accommodation nearly threefold, so that for fifteen children we may now strive to broach this double barrier.

Plans have also been put in hand for the building of a heated, covered swimming pool in which young limbs, crippled and inadequate on land, may find a kinder medium.

So well has Condrover fulfilled its purpose and so great is the consequent demand for admission that the need for a second similar school has now become imperative. Our search for a suitable building culminated this year in our acceptance of an offer by the Ministry of Works to make available to us the historic Rushton Hall, near Kettering. It is expected that, after necessary repairs and alterations, the Hall will be ready for our children by the end of 1959.

Helping Parents

Parents of a blind child frequently, and understandably, are at first perplexed and worried. They know little of the special facilities that exist for his upbringing, training and future education: they are at a loss to know what is best for the child. The advice and guidance of these parents is, therefore, an important aspect of the work of the Institute's Education Department.

The year has seen an increasing number of visits to Sunshine Homes by parents seeking consultation with the experienced, sympathetic staff. At the Parents' Unit, a cottage in the grounds of the Sunshine Home at Abbotskerswell, many families have benefited from the common-sense and the kindly advice of the Head. Living in circumstances as similar as possible to their own home life, parents are enabled to watch their child at work and play with the other blind children and to learn that over-protection may be a stifling influence in the development of their child.

Each term throughout the year, meetings at Headquarters have provided an opportunity for parents and those who work with and for blind children to discuss educational and welfare matters.

Communication for the deaf-blind child demands endless patience and time



A mother watches her son's first feeding "lesson" at the Parents' Unit





Mathematics, which involves special apparatus, being taught by the blind Worcester College master



Many blind people learn music when young and their lives are greatly enriched

From these meetings have resulted not only the destruction of the barriers of isolation and frustration which many parents feel, but concrete developments such as the establishment of evening Braille classes. Thus may parent learn to draw more closely to blind child in mutual understanding.

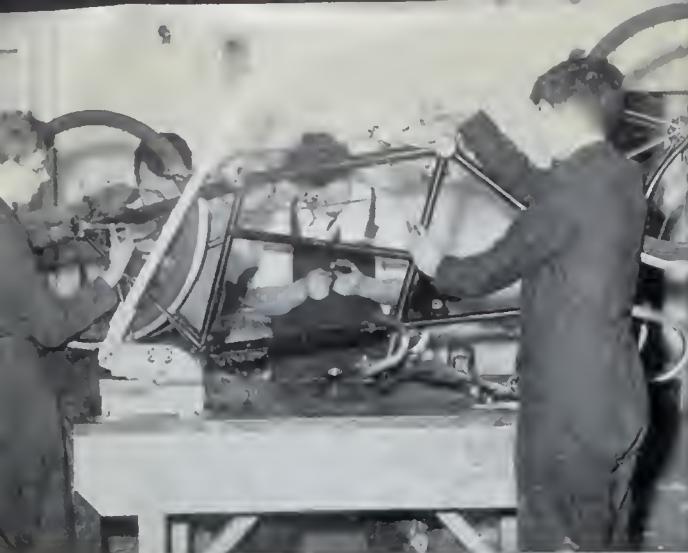
Our Grammar Schools

At both Worcester College for Boys and Chorleywood College for Girls the pattern of education is continued in an atmosphere closely akin to that of an ordinary Public School. To the visitor may come as something of a surprise the almost casual confidence of bearing and the air of purposeful activity which characterise the students.

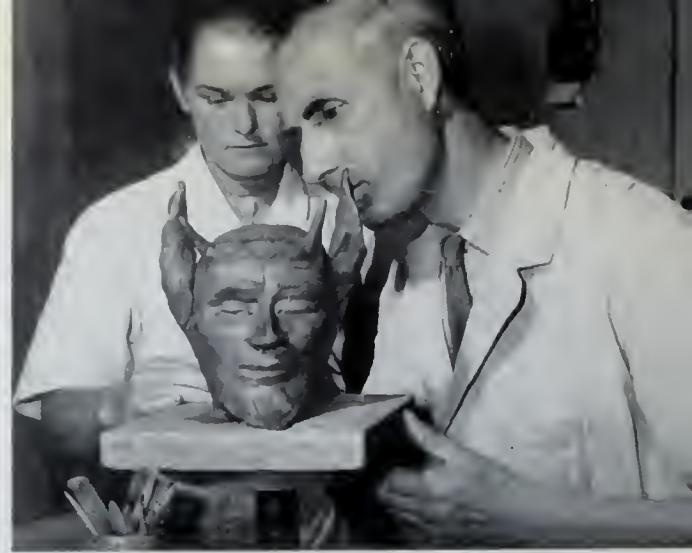
Nor is this confidence confined only to surroundings made familiar by long experience. During the year a party of Worcester boys, accompanied by three masters, visited Paris, whilst three others, winners of Leverhulme Trustee Travel Scholarships, travelled alone in Scandinavia and France. A number of boys paid short residential visits to sighted Public Schools, and an interesting experiment, designed to widen their first-hand knowledge of current affairs, has been the week-end visit by a party of ten boys as guests of the families of Bristol Trades Unionists and employers.

Because Worcester College provides the main outlet for blind boys to the Universities and professions, it is particularly gratifying that a generous gift of £50,000 by Mr. Isaac Wolfson has enabled the Institute to put in hand many projected modernisations and additions.

Not to be outdone in adventuring by their brother school, a party of fifteen girls from Chorleywood, with three members of the staff, paid a week-long visit to Dale Fort Field Centre at Haverfordwest during May. As day followed day, expeditions to the sea-shore, hikes across the moorland tracks and clamberings over headland heights taught the girls many things about the geology and of the wild life of our land. It is, perhaps, impossible to exaggerate the enjoyment and the broadening of outlook which such an experience can give to those who learn by senses other than their sight.



Tandem maintenance gives simple mechanical training and prepares for the Youth Club "spin"



Many newly-blind discover at the rehabilitation centres previously unsuspected creative talents

The blind adolescent

Hethersett, the Institute's experimental pre-vocational training centre for blind adolescents at Reigate, Surrey, has now completed its second full year in operation. Already it is proving an unqualified success in enabling these boys and girls, the majority of whom have previously lived largely in the circumscribed world of the blind school, to expand their understanding of the sighted community in which they will soon take their places.

Perhaps even more important than the preliminary training in engineering, telephony, shorthand-typing and traditional crafts which the students receive is their acceptance of and into the neighbouring community. At youth clubs and at riding stables, or riding number two on tandem bicycles behind a sighted guide, they are to be found integrating freely and happily with their more fortunate contemporaries. Such mental freedom is the very essence of Hethersett's success.

Rehabilitation of the newly blind

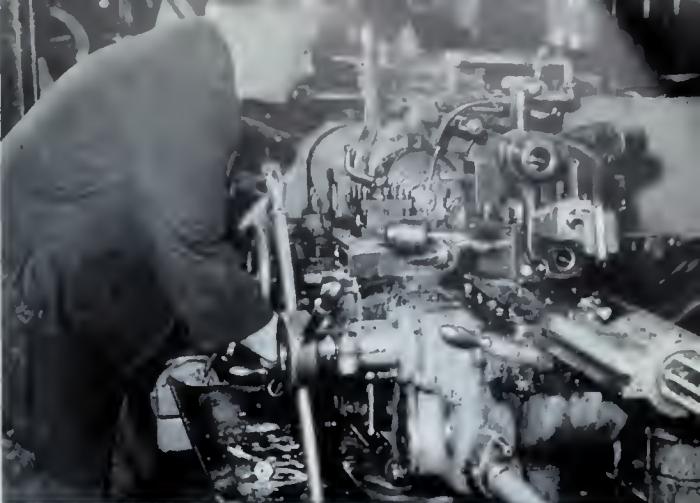
To those who lose their sight in adult life the prospect of ever-present darkness can be numbing in its contemplation. The strain of perhaps months of anxious waiting, of possibly a succession of unsuccessful operations, culminating in the realisation that they will never see again exacts its inevitable toll. The majority are in poor physical condition and, understandably, in bitter, self-commiserative moods. It is for them that the Institute maintains its residential rehabilitation centres at Torquay and at Bridgnorth.

Those learning for the first time of the work of these two centres may well adjudge the results which they achieve to be bordering on the miraculous. United in their one desire to become useful, independent citizens, the doctor and the school teacher, the canteen assistant and the machine-shop operative live for a few short months in a virtually classless state, grateful to learn, one from the other, the art of living fully despite their heavy handicap.

In this one year four hundred such men and women—the majority between the ages of 16 and 59—have found through these centres new courage, new hope and a new place in society. A renewed physical and mental independence has replaced their blank despair, enabling the worker to go forward for vocational training and the housewife to take up again her household tasks confident of her ability to resume her rightful place as centre of the family circle.



Telephony training is completed by supervised operation of the Head Office switchboard



A blind capstan operator, employed by the Lightfoot Refrigeration Co., Ltd., London

Training and employment

The trained blind worker is today to be found in ever-increasing numbers holding his own in industry and commerce in competition with the sighted. This new freedom for the blind themselves, and the realisation by more and more employers that in many operations the blind need be at no disadvantage with the sighted, is due in no small measure to the enlightened methods both of training and of placement developed by the R.N.I.B.

At our Commercial Training College at Pembridge Place, in London, those selected for ultimate employment as shorthand-typists, recorder-typists, and telephone switchboard operators undertake a course of training designed to enable successful candidates to obtain qualifications ensuring them of responsible, well-remunerated appointments in their chosen fields. Last year no less than eighteen of our students passed the R.S.A. examination in shorthand and twenty-six in typewriting, two of these latter at advanced level.

Those whose bent is towards light engineering receive their basic training at the Government Training Centre at Letchworth and at its conclusion are ready for specific training in the factory by the Institute's Training Officers.

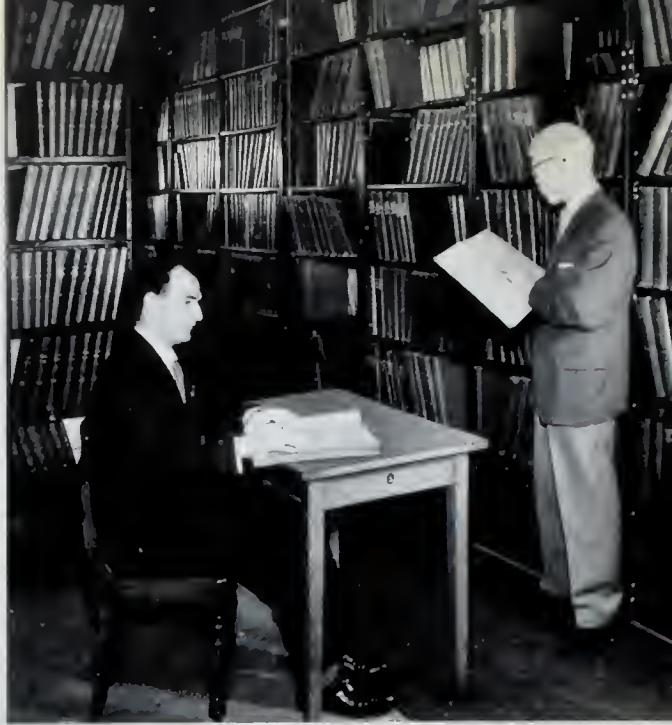
These latter and their colleagues, the Employment Officers and the Investigations and Commercial Appointments Officers, who make up the Institute's Employment Department, are themselves blind or partially so. Nevertheless, in the course of their year's work they have paid nearly twelve thousand calls on prospective employers, Ministry of Labour Offices and Local Authorities. As a result, they have found employment for no fewer than 293 trained blind persons, bringing to the substantial figure of 3,869 their total of successes since the service was inaugurated in 1942.

The blind physiotherapist

Physiotherapy, of all the professions, presents perhaps a uniquely ideal opening for those without sight. With this full realisation, the Institute has for long devoted considerable research and development to achieving for the blind physiotherapist complete parity with his sighted professional colleague. So high a reputation does our School of Physiotherapy in London—the only one of its kind anywhere in the Commonwealth—enjoy today that the forty-nine students currently in attendance represent between them no less than six countries outside the British Isles, as far apart as South Africa, Australia, New Zealand and the West Indies.



Exercises to develop weakened muscles form an important part of Physiotherapy training



A corner of the Students' Library, which now contains over 25,000 volumes

This enviable reputation, and the high standard which the school maintains, owe much to the whole-hearted co-operation of several London hospitals at which students gain their clinical experience and to the generous amount of time which consultants in many medical and surgical specialities devote to lecturing in our classrooms. To them is due no small measure of thanks and a not inconsiderable share of the credit for the fact that this year fifteen of our students qualified as Members of the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy. Of these, all, with the exception of two who returned home to work in South Africa, have been settled in hospital appointments under the National Health Service.

To keep pace with modern development and new techniques, the school's library of Braille text-books is constantly being enlarged, and now contains a total of fifty-four separate titles. The sustained feat of concentration represented by the assimilation of this store of knowledge through the fingers can best be appreciated by the realisation that GRAY'S ANATOMY, for example, comprises by itself no fewer than thirty-three volumes of embossed type. It is in an effort to make easier both reference and initial study that we have this year put into operation plans for the compilation of a library of tape recordings, with play-back machines installed both at the school and at the students' hostel.

In welcoming as Principal of the School Miss P. Lyttleton, T.M.M.G., in succession to Mr. J. O. Jenkins, T.M.M.G., T.E.T., we record our confident belief that under her leadership the present proud record of the school will be amply maintained.

Books to be felt . . .

Of all the services which the R.N.I.B. provides for those without sight, there can be little doubt that the production of embossed books takes pride of place in order of importance. Heavily subsidised to our readers, they are at once companions for leisure hours; tools for the shaping of full

and satisfying lives, and a means of keeping abreast of the quickening tempo of our age. Without them the world of the blind would, in truth, be a place of mental as well as physical darkness.

Thus it is that our Braille presses, in printing 53,328 volumes of literature in a variety to meet all tastes; 1,165 volumes of music; 481,512 newspapers and periodicals; and 49,002 literature and music pamphlets have, in this single year, attained the astronomical total production figure of nearly 600,000. The cost to the Institute of this one service alone has amounted to £54,024, a sum which, in terms of human happiness, could scarcely have been better utilised.

For the aged and those whose fingers lack the sensitivity necessary to master the tiny dots of Braille, we have continued to meet the urgent demand for literature in the larger, simpler Moon type. A small, but valued, weekly newspaper, monthly magazines and books that may either be purchased or borrowed from libraries in the larger towns, provide a welcome interest to those whose lot it is to spend long hours in idle solitude.

That over 2,500 instruction sets were supplied during the year under review emphasises the continuing need for this alternative to the more widely acclaimed Braille alphabet.

But not all the embossed books which we produce are mechanically printed. At our Headquarters in London we maintain a library of books in Braille especially for students and for those blind men and women already embarked upon their careers who are anxious to qualify themselves more fully. It is due to the selfless and devoted work of a large band of voluntary transcribers that we have been enabled this year, as every year of late, to add to this library nearly 1,000 hand-embossed volumes on a wide variety of subjects and in half a dozen languages other than our own. The circulation figure of nearly 11,000 volumes sent out to readers in every part of the country and the fact that 148 new readers have been enrolled provide living proof of the complete integration of the blind into this modern world.

The Manuscript Department of this library has continued to undertake the brailling of a variety of material at the request of individuals and organisations, among the more unusual assignments being the embossing of an Examination Paper in Salesmanship for the United Commercial Travellers' Association.

Hand-correcting the mechanically-embossed metal plates from which Braille is printed



A nonagenarian talking-book "reader" prepares to listen to her favourite novel





A few of the 250 aids and appliances developed for use by the blind

"They talk of many things . . ."
at a Home for the deaf-blind



... and books to be heard

The Talking Book Library of long-playing records continues to bring both entertainment and companionship to the elderly and the house-bound among the blind community. Although our membership now exceeds 5,000, there is still a long waiting list for this highly-prized form of readership. Research and development, designed both to reduce the list of those who cannot yet be satisfied and to make still simpler the operation of these machines for sightless and ailing hands, are continually undertaken.

The latest models are particularly praised by users on this score and, in addition, for their tone and clarity of reproduction. One of our readers, writing to tell us of the pleasure he receives from his Talking Books, refers to the care taken during recording to achieve perfect pronunciation and expression. "Frequently," he says, "I 're-read' a record for the pleasure of hearing such good reading."

In striving to maintain our proud tradition that no reader shall ever be without a book, we must gratefully acknowledge the full co-operation which the General Post Office accords us in their transportation.

Apparatus for work and leisure

Our Technical Research Department strives continually to devise an ever-increasing range of aids and appliances designed to reduce the handicap of blindness. Ranging in variety from Braille micrometers for the precision worker to self-threading needles for the housewife, the list of such equipment now available totals over two hundred and fifty individual items.

For those Braille readers anxious to learn to type, a new plastic keyboard chart has this year been evolved; a special form of rubber sheeting will aid those who seek to write in longhand; for the student, a plastic relief map of Scotland has been prepared and will shortly be in production, this latter printed in four bright colours as an additional aid to those with partial sight.

While never, by themselves, being able to compensate completely for a life of darkness, these devices yet play an important part in the welfare scheme in helping to decrease the disability which blindness brings.

The Institute abroad

British blind welfare is today freely acknowledged to constitute the criterion by which every other country seeks to shape its own endeavour. As the largest organisation of its kind in the world, the R.N.I.B. has continued to play a leading role in the international scene either by representation on all important committees concerned with blindness, by welcoming visitors from abroad who come to study British welfare methods, or by visits by members of its staff to countries eager for advice on the most satisfactory means of applying our methods to their own peculiar circumstances.

At the International Conference of Educators of Blind Youth in Oslo, which brought together the leading personalities in blind education from most countries of the world, the Institute was well represented by Mr. John Colligan, Secretary-General, accompanied by our Education Officer and many teachers from our schools and colleges. Particularly well received was the stimulating first paper on the education of the parents of blind children, read by the Education Officer, which helped to set the right note for the conference as a whole.

Early in the year our International Correspondent paid a visit to Jordan and Israel in an advisory capacity, and six months later our Chairman and our Secretary-General took part in

an intensive international study course in Italy on the rehabilitation, training and employment of the blind. The Italian Government had been particularly anxious to bring to bear on their own difficult problems the most experienced advice from other countries, and our Chairman and Secretary-General were able to give just that lead which was so urgently required.

Our Homes and Hostels

At the adult Homes maintained by the Institute both for the blind and the deaf-blind, peace and companionship are found by many who would, in other circumstances, be condemned to lives of solitude and anxiety. The visitor to any one of these could not help but be impressed by the range of interests and activities which sustain the residents, many of whom are in the autumn of their lives. From one, comes a report of a sweet-making and cake-decorating class; from another, long and laborious rehearsal by a deaf-blind cast of a play, the high standard of which amazed sighted friends and neighbours; from a third, a visit to Harewood House—a memorable occasion on which a kindly guide devoted his entire afternoon to answering a spate of questions concerning the Princess Royal.

For the student and the younger worker, the three London hostels ensure the comfortable home-life and congenial companionship so important to youth on the threshold of its career. Here, too, one learns of a wide and varied range of activities and hobbies; and of the choir of young men and women who devoted many evenings to singing Christmas carols to help the British Empire Cancer Campaign, and the two young girls who frequently work throughout the night to help the Good Samaritans in their work of mercy.

The Institute and the voluntary worker

Blindness must, inevitably, bring in its wake a degree of isolation. It is the simple function of The Royal National Institute to reduce this to a minimum and to enable those who cannot see not only fully to enter into the life of the community in which they live, but to make to it their own especial contribution. This is the necessity which shapes the development of all the services which we provide.

In our belief that in the year which has passed we have not been without success, we pay special tribute to those many devoted voluntary workers whose untiring efforts and unwavering support have meant so much. Without them our task would be the harder and our ability to serve the blind decreased.

It is a pleasure once again to record our sincere appreciation of the work of our Secretary-General, Mr. J. C. Colligan, O.B.E., and his devoted staff and of their combined endeavours that have contributed so greatly to the achievements outlined in this Report.

UNIFIED COLLECTING AGREEMENTS

Statement for Year ended 31st March, 1958

Analysis of Amounts distributed to Other Participating Societies

LOCAL SOCIETIES

1956-57		1957	
£	£	£	£
BEDFORDSHIRE			
1,438	N. Bedfordshire Society for Welfare of the Blind	1,125	
1,292	S. Bedfordshire Society for Welfare of the Blind	1,314	
BERKSHIRE			
2,187	Berkshire County Blind Society	2,085	
1,152	Reading Association for Welfare of the Blind	1,250	
BUCKINGHAMSHIRE			
2,275	Buckinghamshire Association for the Blind	2,191	
CAMBRIDGESHIRE			
1,515	Cambridgeshire Society for the Blind	1,662	
CHESHIRE			
4,847	Chester and District Blind Welfare Society	4,825	
505	Macclesfield Society for the Blind	521	
50	Wallasey Blind Welfare Committee	50	
CORNWALL			
3,794	Cornwall County Association for the Blind	3,969	
DERBYSHIRE			
3,806	Derbyshire Association for the Blind	3,682	
DEVON			
4,022	Devon County Association for the Blind	4,070	
570	Exeter Society for the Blind	769	
	South Devon and Cornwall Institution for the Blind,		
536	Plymouth	877	
92	West of England Institution for the Blind, Exeter	124	
DORSET			
1,817	Dorset County Association for the Blind	1,730	
DURHAM			
553	Darlington Society for the Blind	667	
3,559	Sunderland and Durham County Royal Institution for the Blind	3,710	
ESSEX			
4,072	Essex County Association for the Blind	4,674	
GLAMORGAN			
2,088	Cardiff Institute for the Blind, Inc.	—	
4,004	Glamorgan County Blind Welfare Association	4,278	
3,500	Merthyr Tydfil and Mid-Wales Insti. for the Blind	2,064	
GLOUCESTERSHIRE			
5,442	Bristol Royal Blind Asylum and Workshops	5,063	
594	Gloucester (City) Society for the Blind	659	
3,586	Gloucester County Association for the Blind	3,556	
HAMPSHIRE			
667	Bournemouth Blind Aid Society	878	
1,109	Southampton Association for the Welfare of the Blind	1,086	
HEREFORDSHIRE			
1,204	Herefordshire County Association for the Blind	1,084	
HERTFORDSHIRE			
3,262	Hertfordshire Society for the Blind	3,115	
HUNTINGDONSHIRE			
533	Huntingdonshire Society for the Blind	505	
ISLE OF MAN			
1,230	Manx Blind Welfare Society	1,261	
KENT			
213	Canterbury Voluntary Association for the Blind	220	
LANCASHIRE			
451	Accrington and District Institution for the Blind and Prevention of Blindness	456	
1,208	Blackburn and District Joint Finance Committee for the Blind	1,397	
744	Catholic Blind Institute	718	
11,326	Liverpool Workshops for the Blind	10,929	
	Oldham Home Teaching Voluntary Sub-Committee of the Welfare Services Committee		
1,054	St. Helena and District Society for the Blind	1,061	
690	Southport Blind Persons Committee	286	
214	Rochdale and District Blind Welfare Society	716	
LINCOLNSHIRE			
843	Boston and Holland Blind Society	853	
	County Borough of Grimsby Blind Welfare Sub-Committee		
552	Committee	589	
676	Kesteven (Lines.) Blind Society	650	
753	Lincoln Blind Society	614	
4,359	Lindsey Blind Society	4,032	

1956-57		1957	
£	£	£	£
MONMOUTHSHIRE			
	Newport and Monmouthshire Association for the Blind		4,519
NORFOLK			
	Great Yarmouth Blind and Handicapped Persons Sub-Committee		512
	Norwich Institution for the Blind		3,058
NORTHUMBERLAND			
	Newcastle Agencies for the Blind		7,329
NORTH WALES			
	North Wales Society for the Blind		3,169
OXFORDSHIRE			
	Oxford (City and County) Society for the Blind		1,642
RADNORSHIRE			
	Radnor Association for the Blind		214
SOMERSET			
	Bath Society for the Blind		814
	Somerset County Association for the Blind		3,887
SUFFOLK			
	Ipswich Blind Society		1,927
	West Suffolk Voluntary Blind Committee		1,321
SURREY			
	Surrey Voluntary Association for the Blind		2,929
SUSSEX			
	Brighton Society for the Welfare of the Blind		2,074
	Eastbourne Society for the Blind		425
	East Sussex Association for the Blind		1,654
	Hastings Voluntary Association for the Blind		498
	West Sussex Association for the Blind		2,418
WILTSHIRE			
	Swindon Branch of Wiltshire Association for the Care of the Blind		443
	Wiltshire Association for the Care of the Blind		2,844
YORKSHIRE			
	Cleveland and South Durham Institute for the Blind		3,090
	Colne and Holme Valley Local Blind Persons Committee		589
	Doncaster and District Home Teaching Association for the Blind		1,999
	Goole Local Blind Persons Committee		230
	Halifax Society for the Blind		1,395
	Harrogate and District Society for the Blind		919
	Huddersfield and District Blind Society		994
	Keighley and District Institution for the Blind for the Blind		1,334
	Kiveton and Rotherham Rural Voluntary Committee		449
	Leeds Incorporated Institution for the Blind and the Deaf and Dumb		1,445
	Leeds Voluntary Welfare of the Blind Committee		8,330
	North Riding Voluntary Committee for the Welfare of the Blind		1,465
	Pudsey Voluntary Committee for the Welfare of the Blind		577
	Rawmarsh and District Blind Welfare Committee		239
	Rotherham Voluntary Committee for the Welfare of the Blind		802
	Saddleworth Local Blind Persons Committee		140
	Scarborough Society for the Welfare of the Blind		205
	Selby Local Blind Persons Committee		166
	Settle, Bowland and Sedbergh Blind Persons Welfare Committee		462
	Thorne Local Blind Persons Committee		123
	Todmorden Society for the Blind		142
	West Riding Voluntary Association for the Blind		2,201
	Yorkshire School for the Blind		699
			154,926
OTHER NATIONAL BODIES			
	National Library for the Blind		23,248
	Royal Normal College for the Blind		7,735
	Total amount distributed		185,909

LEGACIES, 1957-58

We acknowledge with most grateful thanks the following benefactions by Will received during
the year :

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Adams, Mrs. A.	2,094	13	0	Dickinson, Miss H. E.	300	0	0
Atrey, Mr. J. R.	750	0	0	Dixon, Mrs. L. B.	100	0	0
Allen, Miss L. M.	100	0	0	Doffman, Mrs. R.	50	0	0
Angel, Mr. G.	91	6	5	Douthwaite, Mr. T. D.	738	9	4
Angell, Mrs. D.	398	2	2	Duckworth, Miss E. A.	1,334	4	9
Anonymous	200	0	0	Dunn, Miss E. S.	311	8	10
Argenti, Miss J.	575	15	5	Dunn, Mr. J. H.	2,002	16	0
Artnfield, Mr. C. R.	100	0	0	Dunnott, Miss C. P.	10	0	0
Atkinson, Mr. R. L.	2	2	0	Durden, Mrs. D.	500	0	0
Atton, Mrs. H. M. G.	10	0	0	Edelund, Mr. W.	100	0	0
Baguley, Mr. F.	312	18	1	Edwards, Alice Maud	100	0	0
Bailey, Mrs. S. H.	62	8	10	Edwards, Mrs. E. L.	50	0	0
Bailey, Miss M.	250	0	0	Edwardes, Mr. J. P. A.	208	4	2
Baker, Mrs. G. A. D. B.	200	0	0	Emerson, Mr. G. J.	100	0	0
Bale, Mr. J. H.	500	0	0	Emerson, Mrs. G. L.	375	0	0
Ball, Mrs. I. O.	250	0	0	Eristov, Princess E. M.	12	10	0
Ballard, Mr. W. C.	2,536	13	11	Evans, Miss Alice	100	0	0
Bamber, Mrs. F. E.	50	0	0	Evans, Mr. A. J.	68	17	8
Banks, Mr. W. A.	633	16	10	Evans, Miss E.	100	0	0
Barnard, Mr. G.	9,812	3	6	Evans, Mrs. M. A.	20	0	0
Bartram, Miss H.	10	6	6	Everatt, Annie Elizabeth	100	0	0
Baxter, Mrs. F. M. A.	1,593	3	3	Farnworth, Miss A.	290	18	3
Beckheling, Mrs. E.	500	0	0	Fawcett, Mrs. F.	40	19	3
Berens, Miss F.	75	0	0	Finch, Mrs. A. J.	100	0	0
Beresford, Miss H. M.	50	0	0	Finsler, Mr. J. C.	103	1	4
Billson, Elsie Jane	100	0	0	Fitchett, Mrs. E.	350	0	0
Birch, Mr. A. R.	3	0	0	Frenkel, Mr. E.	2	0	0
Bishop, Mrs. M. R.	6,673	11	5	Fraser, Jemima	20	0	0
Blackler, Mr. F. G.	503	3	9	Fuller, Mrs. B. L.	200	0	0
Blake, Mrs. B.	1,422	17	7	Gardiner, Miss E. M.	468	6	10
Blomfield, Mrs. C.	1,500	0	0	Gardner, Mrs. F.	10	0	0
Borham, Miss J. M.	100	0	0	Gay, Mrs. J.	87	10	0
Borradaile, Mr. H.	50	0	0	Gibbs, Mrs. A. J.	1,007	16	9
Bowen, Miss M. L.	34	0	0	Gilbert, Miss A. L. D.	500	0	0
Bowly, Mrs. E. L.	2,450	0	0	Gillam, Miss C. E.	50	0	0
Box, Mrs. M. J.	114	4	7	Glaske, Miss M. A.	401	10	10
Braithwaite, Miss A.	50	0	0	Goldman, Mr. H.	272	9	0
Braithwaite, Miss C. L.	50	0	0	Goodling, Mr. H. B.	100	11	11
Bray, Mrs. E. M.	2,000	0	0	Gould, Mrs. E.	301	8	5
Brayford, Mr. H.	1	5	3	Grainger, Mrs. C. R.	1,000	0	0
Bricknell, Miss D. L. E.	192	0	0	Grand, Mrs. M. R.	50	0	0
Brodie, Mr. R.	102	8	3	Green, Miss F. A.	20	0	0
Brown, Miss A.	450	0	0	Greenway, Mrs. E. M.	525	12	10
Brown, Mr. A. G.	2,000	0	0	Grimshaw, Mrs. Ada	1,970	15	6
Brown, Mr. F. S.	20	0	0	Gullick, Miss A.	75	3	0
Bruce, Mr. J.	182	4	7	Gumbrell, Miss A.	14	11	4
Bryant, Mr. H. S.	100	0	0	Guy, Mrs. F.	200	0	0
Budworth, Mrs. M. E.	250	0	0	Gwynn, Mrs. E. A.	150	0	0
Bullock, Clara Jane	100	0	0	Hakman, Mrs. H. R.	8	8	4
Burbage, Mr. R.	197	7	1	Haigh, Mrs. E. A.	100	0	0
Burdon, Mr. H. P.	10	0	0	Hale, Mrs. M. A.	300	0	0
Burley, Mrs. J. E.	200	0	0	Hall, Miss A. A.	755	9	0
Burnley, Miss A.	984	1	8	Hall, Mrs. C. L.	1,556	4	0
Burtonshaw, Mrs. E. A.	615	10	0	Hallam, Mr. W.	50	0	0
Butcher, Mrs. A. H.	550	0	0	Hamerton, Mr. R.	200	0	0
Campbell, Mr. A.	500	0	0	Hames, Mrs. A. L.	1,481	5	2
Cartwright, Miss M. M.	1,993	9	1	Hamlin, Mrs. C. A.	100	0	0
Chapman, Mr. D.	50	0	0	Hammond, Mr. F.	70	6	10
Chapman, Miss M. J. F.	190	12	7	Hannah, Miss M. F.	89	6	10
Childs, Mrs. A.	200	0	0	Hanson, Miss H.	100	0	0
Clarke, Marion Burgess	251	1	1	Harcourt-Green, Mrs. E. A.	500	0	0
Clark, Miss F. J.	100	0	0	Harrison, Miss Kate	100	0	0
Cloke, Mrs. E. M.	1,956	15	11	Hasse, Mr. Gerald St. Aubin	100	0	0
Clough, Miss W. A.	400	0	0	Hatt, Mrs. E. M.	512	5	9
Coath, Miss Helena Grace	27	12	10	Hazeldine, Mr. H.	1,000	0	0
Coath, Miss Henrietta Georgina	288	4	8	Heap, Amelia	1,281	12	4
Coath, Miss M. A.	2	8	10	Hester, Mr. T. J.	600	0	0
Coldwell, Mrs. M. K.	30	0	0	Hiley, Mr. F. S.	40	0	0
Cole, Mrs. A.	1,500	0	0	Hill, Miss C. A.	364	11	1
Collier, Miss H.	519	6	0	Hill, Mr. G. H.	1,175	1	1
Collins, Mr. J. E.	500	4	10	Hine, Miss F. C. D.	2	5	0
Collins, Mrs. S.	50	0	0	Hines, Mr. J.	301	5	10
Colston, Mrs. A. L.	100	0	0	Hingley, Miss M. E.	100	0	0
Colyer, Miss M. K.	95	8	5	Hobson, Mr. C.	10	0	0
Cook, Mrs. S. D.	20	0	0	Hockmeyer, Mr. V.	133	10	6
Cooper, Miss S. D.	21	11	3	Hodson, Mrs. J. A.	2	2	6
Copplestone, Mrs. C.	100	0	0	Holden, Miss A.	100	0	0
Coveney, Mr. F. E.	200	0	0	Holford, Mr. F. T.	539	13	9
Creswell, Frances Isabella	10	0	0	Hooper, Mr. F. H.	509	3	8
Crickett Scott, Mrs. N. C.	2	2	0	Hopkins, Miss F. M.	2,650	0	0
Cronshaw, Miss	213	10	0	Horton, Mr. H. G.	26	19	6
Crump, Mr. P. C.	2,105	14	11	Hughes, Miss L. E.	50	0	0
Curtis, Miss M. E.	3,562	19	5	Humble, Mr. J. G.	500	0	0
Dancer, Mrs. S. A.	1,539	18	4	Humphrys, Mrs. C. J.	1,000	0	0
Davies, Miss A. R.	493	14	0	Innocent, Mr. G.	41	15	0
Dawber, Mrs. N. K.	5	0	0	Instone, Miss A.	1	0	0
Dawson, Mrs. E.	100	0	0	Jackson, Mr. A.	1,353	0	4
Dawson, Miss L. P.	1,085	11	2	Jakemann, Mr. H.	457	16	6
Devis, Mrs. E.	19	13	5	Janeson, Mr. H.	76	16	10
Dickinson, Miss A. L.	20	0	0	Jepson, Mrs. E.	91	11	9

Legacies—continued

	f	s.	d.		f	s.	d.
Smith, Mrs. A. O.	263	5	8	Hemming, Miss I.	50	0	0
Smith, Mr. C. T.	200	0	0	Hiscocks, Miss J.	25	0	0
Smith, Miss E.	993	3	7	Hopkins, Miss F. M.	2,650	0	0
Smith, Mr. H. S.	524	5	9	Hughes, Mr. T.	250	0	0
Smith, Mr. T. B.	542	2	6	Jacques, Mrs. A. K.	145	1	2
Soundy, Mr. J. A.	100	0	0	Jepson, Mrs. E.	91	11	9
Spearing, Mr. E. R.	610	4	10	Kneen, Miss L. E.	106	12	7
Stace, Miss E.	5,627	1	6	Levy, Miss H.	500	0	0
Stanwell, Mrs. B. R.	1,125	0	0	Longhurst, Mr. L. V.	200	0	0
Steeds, Henrietta Mary	50	7	4	Mellor, Mrs. E. L. A.	503	6	6
Stephenson, Miss S.	1,000	0	0	Mellor, Mrs. F. M.	100	0	0
Still, Mr. J. E.	29	4	3	Munnings, Mrs. H. C.	588	15	8
Stonehouse, Mrs. G. M.	1,249	9	11	McQuaide, Mrs. M. S.	50	0	0
Stretch, Miss E.	575	8	11	Parsons, Mr. G. F. A.	549	6	8
Stringer, Miss A.	100	0	0	Parsons, Mr. W.	473	3	11
Suter, Mrs. I.	9,571	11	4	Phillips, Miss M. M.	3,395	3	8
Sutton, Mrs. K. E.	550	13	11	Price, Mrs. R. L.	372	8	5
Sweet, Miss M. N. H.	900	0	0	Prior, Mr. G. S.	50	0	0
Sykes, Mrs. E.	1,405	12	4	Radcliffe, Miss I. M.	50	0	0
Tanner, Miss C. I.	200	0	0	Reece, Miss M. L.	150	0	0
Tapp, Mrs. M. M.	100	0	0	Roberts, Mr. A. E. K.	2,319	19	8
Teasdale, Mr. F. J.	400	0	0	Ruddock, Mrs. E. M.	51	12	7
Telford, T. R.	50	0	0	Saunders, Miss M. L.	25	0	0
Thorne, Miss V. M.	1,700	0	0	Shail, Mrs. N. E.	100	0	0
Tildesley, Mr. W. J.	50	0	0	Shillaker, Mrs. S.	100	0	0
Toates, Miss E. E.	1,750	0	0	Singleton, Mrs. M.	283	15	7
Toogood, Mr. A. J.	113	6	7	Smithurst, Mrs. M.	906	4	2
Tricker, Miss B. I.	10	0	0	Smith, Mrs. G. J.	2,176	17	0
Tricker, Mr. J. T.	500	0	0	Smith, Miss M. B.	231	3	3
Trimby, Mrs. G. E. G.	50	0	0	Streeter, Miss L.	87	7	0
Tulley, Miss E.	5	0	0	Tansell, Miss E. C.	77	16	3
Unwin, Mr. F.	32	0	0	Taylor, Mrs. B.	874	8	0
Vail, Alice Emma	200	0	0	Teare, Miss M. E.	500	0	0
Vernon, Miss C.	2,127	5	5	Timewell, Miss L. D.	500	0	0
Virgo, Miss E. A.	25	0	0	Timms, S.	127	18	4
Walkden, Miss A.	80	4	4	Tracey, Mrs. R. V.	198	2	0
Warwick, Edith Alice	20	0	0	Vicars, Miss A. G.	1,050	1	8
Webber, Mrs. A. E.	857	13	4	Waddicor, Mrs. B.	200	0	0
Webster, Miss E. L.	100	0	0	Wilkinson, Mr. C. H.	100	0	0
Wells, Miss W. L.	1,131	10	0	Wooltorton, Mr. H. T.	200	0	0
Western, Mrs. A.	1,359	10	8		34,441	1	1
Westropp, Mrs. A. L. T.	209	0	0				
Whalley, Mrs. A. L.	520	16	5				
Whitley, Bertha	157	14	1				
Whitting, Miss F. C.	200	0	0				
Wiles, Mrs. L.	2,120	10	4				
Wilmhurst, Miss E. F.	1,000	0	0				
Williams, Mr. W. L.	100	0	0				
Wilman, Mr. A.	375	10	7				
Wilson, Miss E. R.	400	0	0				
Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. W.	404	4	0				
Wilson, Miss E. M.	250	0	0				
Wingrove, Elizabeth	650	0	9				
Wood, Miss M. F.	91	19	6				
Woodford, Mr. R. J.	79	3	1				
Woodhams, Miss L.	500	0	0				
Worley, Mrs. F. J.	1,026	1	0				
Wright, Mr. F. W.	8	9	4				
Wrighton, Mrs. F. M. H.	183	16	4				
Yardley, Mrs. S.	500	0	0				
Inland Revenue Refund of Tax.	95	18	3				
	177,480	0	8				
Less : Refund of overpayments in previous year	63	19	5				
	177,416	1	3				
Sunshine Fund for Blind Babies and Children							
Andrews, Mrs. E.	20	0	0				
Bagster, Miss E. G.	745	5	6				
Billing, Miss A. M.	100	0	0				
Birn, Mrs. M. H.	200	0	0				
Blackburn, Mr. H.	1,000	0	0				
Bone, Mrs. A. S.	418	13	9				
Bromhead, Mrs. E. M.	1	0	0				
Bryant, Miss A. M.	100	0	0				
Carmichael, Miss M.	100	0	0				
Charmley, Miss C.	200	0	0				
Corbet, A. J. B. Le Strange	104	8	10				
Crabb, Miss A.	90	11	6				
Creasey, Miss C.	20	0	0				
Cubbins, Mrs. E. M. (in memory of her son, Robert Alfred Colbey Cubbin)	5,000	0	0				
Devereux, Mrs. M.	1,546	15	1				
Dormer, Mr. W. H.	100	0	0				
Eustace, Ada Alice	113	2	11				
Fleming, Mrs. B. R.	100	0	0				
Flint, Miss C. A.	1,329	2	3				
Ford, Mr. G. E.	782	14	1				
Gourlay, Miss M. J.	100	0	0				
Hackford, Mrs. B. E.	100	0	0				
Harper, Miss C. M.	250	0	0				
Hatherley, Miss G. S.	508	11	4				
Haycock, Miss A. I.	1,000	0	0				
	177,480	0	8				
Less : Refund of overpayments in previous year	63	19	5				
	177,416	1	3				
ENDOWMENTS							
General Account							
Miss F. W. Dunn Bequest	5	7	8				
George Fergus Graham Fund	781	10	0				
The W.U.C. Trust Fund	2,711	13	2				
	3,498	10	10				
TOGETHER							
	235,064	14	6				

SCHOOLS, HOMES AND BRANCHES OF THE ROYAL NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND

SUNSHINE HOME NURSERY SCHOOLS

Dene Road, Northwood, Middlesex.
 Dunnings Road, East Grinstead, Sussex. (The Beachcroft Towse Home).
 15 Warwick New Road, Leamington Spa, Warwickshire.
 Court Grange, Abbotskerswell, South Devon.
 Summerhill Grange, Kingswinford, Brierley Hill, Staffs. (The Bernhard Baron Home).
 Overley Hall, near Wellington, Shropshire.
 Pirate's Spring, St. Mary's Bay, Romney Marsh, Kent.
 2 Oxford Road, Birkdale, Southport, Lancashire.
 Southerndown, near Bridgend, Glamorgan. (The Variety Club Sunshine Home founded by Tenovus).

SCHOOL FOR BLIND CHILDREN WITH OTHER HANDICAPS

Condover Hall, near Shrewsbury, Shropshire.

SECONDARY GRAMMAR SCHOOLS

Chorleywood College for Girls with Little or No Sight, Chorleywood, Herts.
 Worcester College for the Blind, Worcester.

VOCATIONAL ASSESSMENT CENTRE

Hethersett, Gatton Road, Wray Common, Reigate, Surrey.

CENTRES FOR PROFESSIONAL OR TECHNICAL TRAINING

School of Physiotherapy, 204-6 Great Portland Street, London, W.1.
 R.N.I.B. Training College for Blind Shorthand-Typists and Telephonists, 5 Pembridge Place, London, W.2.

THE QUEEN ELIZABETH HOMES OF RECOVERY FOR NEWLY-BLIND CIVILIANS

The Manor House, Middle Lincombe Road, Torquay, Devon.
 America Lodge, Higher Lincombe Road, Torquay, Devon.
 Oldbury Grange, Bridgnorth, Shropshire.

R.N.I.B. CLINIC OF PHYSIOTHERAPY

(Alfred Eichholz Memorial), 204-6 Great Portland Street, London, W.1.

HOSTELS FOR THE BLIND

31 Palace Court, London, W.2.
 79 Holland Park, W.11 (Physiotherapy Students).
 16 Holland Park, W.11.

RESIDENTIAL AND HOLIDAY HOMES

Bannow, Quarry Hill, St. Leonards-on-Sea, Sussex. (Convalescent and Holiday Home).
 The Haven, Holbeek Hill, Scarborough, Yorks. (Holiday Home).
 Craven Lodge, Victoria Avenue, Harrogate, Yorkshire. (Holiday Home).
 Wavertree House, Furze Hill, Hove, Sussex.
 Leeds House, 128 Victoria Road, New Brighton, Cheshire. (Holiday Home).
 Westcliff House, Sea Road, Westgate-on-Sea, Kent.
 Tate House, Queen Parade, Harrogate, Yorkshire. (William Tate Home for Deaf-Blind).
 Fellowship House, Trinity Road, Hoylake, Cheshire. (Holiday Home for Deaf-Blind).
 The Kathleen Chambers Home, Berrow Road, Burnham-on-Sea (Home for Deaf-Blind).

HOME INDUSTRIES DEPARTMENT, Holmesdale Road, Reigate, Surrey.

THE NUFFIELD TALKING BOOK LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND, Abbey Estate, Mount Pleasant, Alperton, Wembley, Middlesex.

SOUND RECORDING STUDIO, 8 Hinde Street, London, W.1.

MOON SOCIETY PUBLICATIONS, 104 Queen's Road, Brighton, Sussex.

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To

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THE ROYAL NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND,
224, 226 & 228 GREAT PORTLAND STREET, LONDON, W.1

3....., of.....
(name in full) (address)

hereby covenant with THE ROYAL NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND that for a period of seven years from the.....day of.....19..... or during my life whichever period shall be shorter I will pay annually to the said Institute such a sum as will after deduction of Income Tax leave in the hands of the Institute a net sum of £.....(.....) such sum to be paid from my general fund of taxed income so that I shall receive no personal or private benefit in either of the said periods from the said sum or any part thereof.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this.....day
of.....19.....
(words)

Signed sealed and delivered by the said.....
in the presence of.....
(signature of subscriber)

Signature.....
Address.....
.....
Occupation.....

Witness to
Signature
of Subscriber.

L.S.

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To the Honorary Treasurers of

Date..... 19

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224, 226 & 228 GREAT PORTLAND STREET, LONDON, W.1

I have pleasure in assisting the Institute in the following manner :—

	£	s.	d.
Annual Subscription	:
Donation	:
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TOTAL	... £		

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BANKERS' ORDER

Name of Bankers..... Date..... 19

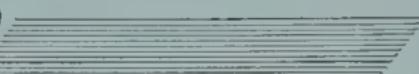
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Pay to the Account of The Royal National Institute for the Blind
at the WESTMINSTER BANK Ltd. (Harley Street Branch, 154 Harley Street, W.1), my
Subscription of..... now, and continue to pay the amount
(Please insert amount in words)
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application.

Signature

2d.

STAMP

(Please insert amount in figures)

Address.....

.....

THE ROYAL NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND

Incorporated by Royal Charter. Registered in accordance with the National Assistance Act, 1948

FORM OF BEQUEST, No. 1.

The following form of bequest is recommended to those who may be desirous of assisting the Institute by way of a specific legacy :—

I give to THE ROYAL NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND, of 224, 226 & 228 Great Portland Street, London, W.1, the sum of pounds

(free of all death duties) for the general purposes of the Institute, and I declare that the receipt of the Hon. Treasurer for the time being of such Institute shall be a good discharge to my Executors.

FORM OF BEQUEST, No. 2

The following form of bequest is recommended if it is desired to leave the residue of an estate to the Institute :—

I give the rest residue and remainder of my estate and effects whatsoever and wheresoever both real and personal and whether in possession reversion remainder or expectancy to THE ROYAL NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND, of 224, 226 & 228 Great Portland Street, London, W.1, for the general purposes of the Institute, and I declare that the receipt of the Hon. Treasurer for the time being of such Institute shall be a good discharge to my Executors.

NOTE.—Property of all kinds, including land of any tenure and also including money lent on mortgage and the securities therefor, may lawfully be given to charitable institutions by Will. The above forms can be readily adapted to such gifts by the substitution of a description of the land, mortgage, etc., for the words "the sum of"

A post-war credit may be bequeathed to the Institute, specifically, or as part of an estate.

Legacies may be left to form an endowment to be named after the benefactor or a nominee of the benefactor. In this case there should be added after the words, "the sum of," "to form an endowment to be called 'The Bequest.'"

The form of bequest should be incorporated in the Will, which should be signed and witnessed as shown on the back of this form.

If desired, the Institute is willing to act as Trustee.

When a Will has been made, and it is afterwards desired to benefit The Royal National Institute for the Blind, it will be sufficient if the form below is filled in, duly signed and witnessed as below, and placed with the existing Will.

This is a Codicil to the last Will of me dated.....

(Name in full)

(Date of Will)

I give to THE ROYAL NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND, of 224, 226 & 228 GREAT PORTLAND STREET, LONDON, W.1, for the general purposes of the Institute, the sum of

..... (words) £..... (figures)

free of all death duties, and I declare that the receipt of the Hon. Treasurer for the time being of such Institute shall be a good discharge to my Executors.

*In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this..... day
of..... 19.....*

*Signed by the Testator Testatrix as and for a Codicil to
his last Will dated.....*

(Insert date of Will)

*in the presence of us, both present at the same
time, who at his request, and in his presence
and in the presence of each other, have hereunto
set our names as witnesses.*

(Signature of Testator or Testatrix)

(1)..... of.....

(Profession)

(2)..... of.....

(Profession)

Witnesses should sign here

NOTE.—The above form is provided for the guidance of intending benefactors and their solicitors, whose advice should be sought before the form is completed.

(P.T.O.)

THE ROYAL NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND
BALANCE SHEET, 31st MARCH, 1958

31.3.57	FUNDs AND LIABILITIES	£	£	31.3.57	ASSETS	£	£
£ 379,367	Funds not available for General Purposes		356,823	£ 371,604	Investments not available for General Purposes held on the following Accounts		352,167
103,783	Endowment Funds	97,162		103,783	Endowments	97,162	
160,684	Legacies and Gifts earmarked by Donors : Invested	138,307		160,684	Legacies and Gifts earmarked by Donors	138,307	
4,763	Uninvested	4,656		110,137	Fixed Assets, Renewals and Replacements Reserve	116,698	
110,137	Fixed Assets, Renewals and Replacements Reserve	116,698					352,167
			356,823				
220,269	General Reserve	234,710					
115,850	Balance at 31st March, 1957	220,269					
104,419	Transfer from Legacies Account	14,441					
		234,710					
50,000	Reserve for Talking Book Development (see Note 2)	147,416					
—	Balance at 31st March, 1957	50,000					
—	Transfer from Legacies Account	97,416					
		147,416					
17,392	Reserve for Fluctuation in Investments	—					
622,144	General Charity Fund	636,690					
	Balance at date per Part III of General Charity Fund Account	636,690					
81,390	Liabilities—	118,229					
7,868	Bank Overdrafts	32,586					
43,433	Sundry Creditors	53,745					
	Unified Collections Account: Amount owing to other Societies less Balance of Special Bank Account (£55,000)	9,398					
7,589	Advance by Associate Organisation towards cost of Nuffield Talking Book Library	22,500					
		118,229					
£1,370,562		£1,493,868					£1,493,868
			£1,370,562				

Notes :—

1. The Interest of the Sunshine Fund for Blind Babies and Children included in Funds not available for General Purposes is £35,334, in General Reserve £97,801, and in General Charity Fund £100,504.
2. It is necessary to build up a substantial Reserve, because it is known that considerable sums will be required during the next few years to finance essential developments in the Talking Book Library.
3. Liabilities under Contracts for Capital Expenditure entered into at 31st March, 1958, not included in these Accounts amounted to approximately £1,850.

Stock Exchange Securities at Market Values at 31st March, 1958
258,486
36,690
116
79,312

Investments on General Charity Fund Account
Stock Exchange Securities at Market Values at 31st March, 1958
579,985
106,873
2,700
31,606

Other Assets
Stocks as valued by Officials of the Institute
Sundry Debtors
Deferred Charges

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE :—
Amount expended upon the acquisition and adaptation of Fixed Assets used for the charitable purposes of the Institute at the 31st March, 1958 (including valuations of Assets presented to the Institute) was £1,324,768, the whole of which has been charged against General Charity Fund. No depreciation, therefore, is charged in these Accounts.

P. F. WRIGHT, Chairman, Finance Committee } JOHN H. BEVAN, Hon. Treasurer } The Royal National Institute for the Blind,

We have obtained all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, were necessary for the purposes of our Audit. In our opinion proper books of account have been kept by the Institute so far as appears from our examination of those books, and proper returns adequate for the purposes of our audit have been received from branches not visited by us. We have examined the above Balance Sheet and annexed General Charity Fund Account, which are in agreement with the books of accounts and returns. In our opinion, and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given us, the said Balance Sheet gives a true and fair view of the state of the Institute's affairs as at 31st March, 1958, and the General Charity Fund Account, Parts I, II and III give a true and fair view of the transactions during the year ended on that date.

JACKSON, PINLEY & Co.,
Chartered Accountants,
Auditors.

**THE ROYAL NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND
GENERAL CHARITY FUND ACCOUNT for the year ended 31st March, 1958**

PART I -ORDINARY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

1956-57	ORDINARY EXPENDITURE	£	£	1956-57
816,752	Services to the Blind	858,769		535,633
	Homes and Schools, General Services and Trading Activities :			482,821
779,220	Gross Expenditure per Schedule below	814,979		27,884
	Payments to the Blind			24,928
	Augmentation of Wages paid to Blind (including Wages and Expenses of their Sighted Guides)	16,741		
15,843	Higher Education and Training Fees ...	963		
526	Assistance and Other Expenses on behalf of Blind Persons	20,018		
19,083	Grants to Societies for the Blind	6,068		
2,080		858,769		
				255,963
61,464	Cost of Raising Revenue	63,839		279,670
133,195	Total Cost of Raising Revenue ...	139,049		32,819
71,731	<i>Less : Proportion borne by Societies under Unification Agreements</i>	75,210		569,587
		63,839		
14,281	Cost of General Administration	15,232		
	Pension Scheme Contributions and Pensions (excluding £9,624 charged through other Accounts)	7,778		
7,764		2,168		
1,735	Other Expenses	£947,786		
£901,996		£901,996		£947,786

PART II—EXTRAORDINARY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

1956-57	EXTRAORDINARY EXPENDITURE	£	£	1956-57
27,855	Net Capital Expenditure	28,479		229,337
10,168	Land and Buildings	9,999		360
12,522	Furniture and Fittings	15,749		
311	Grant to Worcester College	757		229,697
4,854	Braille Development Account	1,974		
		28,479		—
10,000	<i>Grant to British Wireless for the Blind Fund</i> ...	—		25,278
14,736	<i>Legaeay Publicity and Expenses</i>	14,155		
—	<i>Loss on Sale of Investments</i>	2,453		
49,073	<i>Exeess of Extraordinary Income over Extra-ordinary Expenditure transferred to Part III</i>	65,820		
		£110,907		
£101,664		£101,664		£110,907

1956-57	EXTRAORDINARY INCOME	£	£
	Subscriptions, Donations and Collections ...	545,850	
	Appeals organised by R.N.I.B.	484,437	
	Allocation from London Collecting Agencies	34,603	
	Allocations from other Collecting Agencies for the Blind	26,810	
		545,850	
	<i>Less : Gross Amounts payable to other Societies under Unification Agreements</i> ...	<i>261,119</i>	
	Rents and Interest and Other Ordinary Income ...	284,731	
	Serviesies to the Blind	42,459	
	Homes and Schools, General Services and Trading—Gross Income per Schedule below (including £2,902 interest on ear-marked investments)	572,252	
	Exeess of Ordinary Expenditure over Ordinary Income, transferred to Part III ...	48,344	
		19,920	
	Exeess of Extraordinary Income over Extra-ordinary Expenditure transferred to Part III ...	£947,786	
		—	
1956-57	EXTRAORDINARY INCOME	£	£
	Legaeies	235,065	
	<i>Gifts for Endowment</i>	—	
		235,065	
	<i>Less : Earmarked by Donors</i> —		
	Specific Activities	19,709	
	Endowment Funds...	3,499	
		23,208	
	<i>Less : Transfer to Reserve for Talking Book Development</i>	211,857	
	Transfer to General Reserve	97,416	
		14,441	
		111,857	
	<i>Special Capital Gifts</i>	100,000	
	<i>Sale of Land</i>	10,907	
	<i>Less : Transfer to Fixed Assets, Renewals and Replacement Reserve</i>	2,945	
		2,945	
	<i>Profit on Sale of Investments</i>	—	
		—	
		114	
		£110,907	
		£101,664	
		£110,907	

PART III—SUMMARY

1956-57	£	1956-57	£	1956-57	£
19,920	—	Excess of Ordinary Expenditure over Ordinary Income transferred from Part I	... ...	48,344	607,170
—	—	Loss on Revaluation of General Charity Fund Investments	... ...	48,462	49,073
—	—	Less : Transfer of the Reserve for Fluctuation in Investments	... ...	17,392	17,392
50,000	—	Transfer to Reserve for Talking Book Development	... ...	31,070	17,392
622,144	—	Balance at 31st March, 1958, to Balance Sheet	... ...	636,690	35,821
£692,064	—			£716,104	£692,064

SCHEDULE
SERVICES TO THE BLIND

1956-57			1957-58		
Expenditure	Income	Net Cost	Expenditure	Income	Net Cost
Summary of Homes and Schools Accounts					
96,874	60,476	36,398	Blind Babies Homes	107,106	63,599
39,882	31,814	8,068	Condover Special School	41,804	34,079
28,342	24,639	3,703	Worcester College	31,375	25,679
31,829	25,976	5,853	Chorleywood College	31,860	27,387
13,073	10,423	2,650	Vocational Assessment Centre	13,118	11,425
15,353	11,004	4,349	Physiotherapy School	14,928	11,615
16,048	10,121	5,927	Shorthand, Typing and Telephony School	16,007	9,423
40,287	28,816	11,471	Homes of Rehabilitation	41,738	32,678
104,460	75,303	29,157	Other Homes and Hostels	109,971	73,239
386,148	278,572	107,576		407,907	289,124
Summary of General Services Accounts					
72,797	26,870	45,927	Braille and other Publications	81,018	26,994
11,620	621	10,999	Students' Library	12,705	742
66,488	45,986	20,502	Apparatus	67,303	45,515
50,062	37,087	12,975	Nuffield Talking Book Library	56,572	33,849
8,378	3,066	5,312	Clinic of Physiotherapy	8,969	3,319
25,140	17,924	7,216	Placement in Industry	25,477	18,722
234,485	131,554	102,931		252,044	129,141
Summary of Trading Activities Accounts					
60,343	58,961	1,382	Home Industries	59,230	56,685
98,244	100,500	—2,256	Kiosks	95,798	97,302
158,587	159,461	— 874		155,028	153,987
779,220	569,587	209,633	Grand Totals	814,979	572,252

ENDOWMENTS

		£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
General Account									
The Leopold Salomon's Endowment Fund	...	8,946	0	0					
The H. F. Bailey Bequest	...	8,855	18	8					
The Miss Constance de Jong Bequest	...	6,988	6	7					
The Sir Arthur Pearson Memorial Fund	...	6,721	12	5					
The Sir East London Home and School for the Blind Endowment	...	6,306	12	11					
The Sir Beachcroft Towse Memorial Fund	...	4,428	12	9					
The William Brown Hextall Bequest	...	3,365	6	1					
The W.J.C. Trust Fund	...	2,711	13	2					
The John Rae Campbell Endowment Fund	...	1,820	14	7					
The Rev. F. J. Hackett Bequest	...	1,717	15	11					
The Nuffield Endowment	...	1,663	15	2					
The Miss Irene Constance Wood Bequest	...	1,365	13	9					
The Donald and Rosie Alderson Bequest	...	1,000	0	0					
The Mary Shaw Bequest	...	883	11	3					
The Sir Alfred Jones Bequest	...	866	8	9					
The Hornishaw Endowment	...	798	18	3					
The George Fergus Graham Fund	...	781	10	0					
The Thomas Wilson Bequest	...	742	6	1					
The Miss F. W. Dunn Bequest	...	688	8	2					
The Phare de France Endowment	...	683	1	2					
The Miss E. A. Black Bequest	...	588	10	2					
The Rose Gay Bequest, 1858-1931	...	570	15	5					
The Hextall Fund for Blind Law Students	...	526	9	0					
The Mrs. Sarah Jane Little Bequest	...	517	7	3					
The Misses E. and A. Snape Bequest	...	455	4	7					
The Mrs. Rachel Stanley Bequest	...	431	5	7					
The Mrs. Elizabeth Kirkham Bequest	...	429	14	3					
The George Cook Memorial Endowment	...	374	5	4					
The Blind Social Aid Society Fund...	...	349	4	2					
The Henry Heskell David Bequest	...	348	8	11					
The Miss Constance Harvie Bequest	...	334	7	10					
The Alma Marvin Bequest	...	236	5	2					
The George Cowieson Bequest	...	213	16	11					
Proceeds of Sale of 9 Oval Road, London	...	184	15	10					
The J. J. Crossfield Bequest	...	166	11	2					
The Frederick James Overton Bequest	...	155	12	0					
The Old Congleton Farmers Dance Committee Endowment	...	141	4	9					
The Sir John Howard Bequest	...	136	12	3					
The Alfred Sawyer Bequest	...	111	11	4					
The Mrs. Ralph Partridge Bequest	...	100	3	0					
The Shrimati Shevihai Tola Ram Warandani Bequest	...	77	16	0					
The Doctor Howell Rees Bequest	...	73	18	10					
The Henry Ireland Bequest	...	71	0	10					
The J. W. Comben Bequest	...	64	18	5					
The Louis Sterne Bequest	...	40	17	2					
The Miss Mary Jesson Bequest	...	18	10	6					
The Mrs. J. Rainsforth Bequest	...	6	14	11					
		68,062	7	3					
Residential Home for Blind Men and Women, Weygate-on-Sea		£	s.	d.					
The Harry Urmson Hayes Fund	...	1,435	18	9					
The Miss A. V. Alipress Endowment Fund	...	649	1	3					
		2,085	0	0					
Chorleywood College		£	s.	d.					
The William Brown Hextall Scholarship	...	2,805	15	6					
The Miss E. W. Allen Bequest (After Care)	...	1,924	17	10					
The Nuffield Endowment Fund	...	1,332	17	4					
Fees Endowment Fund	...	933	2	2					
The James Gilbertson Bequest	...	429	0	3					
The E. P. Hatschek Prize Fund	...	100	0	0					
		7,525	13	1					
Fellowship House, Hoylake		£	s.	d.					
National Deaf-Blind Helpers' League	...	756	0	1					
Convalescent and Holiday Home, St. Leonard's		£	s.	d.					
The Mrs. Jessie Elizabeth Laing Bequest	...	777	11	9					
SUNSHINE FUND FOR BLIND BABIES AND CHILDREN									
General Account		£	s.	d.					
The John Henry Howard Davy Trust	...	3,566	13	1					
The "Dancing Times" Endowment	...	1,785	14	3					
The Margaret Vogan Endowment	...	785	2	8					
The Hornishaw Endowment	...	655	0	0					
The Eliza and John Frederick Bequest	...	540	10	11					
The Anthony Clouston Partridge Endowment	...	446	19	5					
The Mrs. A. R. Edwards Bequest	...	444	7	4					
The Mrs. F. Marks Bequest	...	386	2	3					
The Mrs. Lucy Block Bequest	...	335	4	4					
The T. G. Sorby Bequest	...	129	2	4					
The Miss Vaughan Chapman Bequest	...	84	1	10					
The "Sunday League" Endowment	...	37	11	4					
		9,640	17	1					
Blind Babies' Home, East Grinstead		£	s.	d.					
The Jessie Bell Airey Cot	...	1,765	10	5					
The Mr. and Mrs. Evan Mathews Bequest	...	813	11	3					
The Esther Frances Levy Bequest	...	785	2	8					
The Ernest Hallerton Barlow Bequest	...	523	8	11					
The James Gilbertson Bequest	...	429	0	3					
The Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Graves Bequest	...	89	12	10					
The Mrs. H. R. Graves Bequest	...	74	6	2					
		4,480	12	6					
Blind Babies' Home, Northwood		£	s.	d.					
Bundles for Britain, Inc., Niagara Falls, New York, U.S.A., and Daughters of St. George, Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada	...	374	10	8					
Blind Babies' Home, Pirates Spring, New Romney		£	s.	d.					
The John Wade Bequest	...	389	0	2					
Blind Babies' Home, Overley Hall		£	s.	d.					
The Mrs. Frances Marsh Endowment	...	683	1	2					
Blind Babies' Home, Southerndown		£	s.	d.					
The Mrs. G. M. Rees Endowment	...	748	10	9					
Blind Babies' Home, Kingswinford		£	s.	d.					
The Gyde Charity Endowment	...	804	13	11					
TOTAL	...	£97,162	0	9					